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SUBJECT: NPA AMBUSH PC UNITS NEAR SUBIC BAY NAVAL BASE

1. IN TWO SEPARATE BUT APPARENTLY RELATED INCIDENTS, TWO UNITS OF THE PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY WERE AMBUSHED NEAR SUBIC NAVAL BASE BY INDIVIDUALS BELONGING TO THE NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY. INITIAL REPORTS ORIGINATING FROM SUBIC BASE INDICATE APPROXIMATELY SIX PC KILLED DURING THE TWO FIREFIGHTS. FIRST INCIDENTS OCCURRED AUGUST 27, 0030 HOURS, AT A PC CHECKPOINT ON HIGHWAY 7, THE MAIN ROAD TO SUBIC BASE FROM MANILA VIA SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA (NEAR CLARK AFB), ONE AND A HALF MILES FROM NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE BASE. DURING ONE HOUR FIGHT ONE PC AND ONE MEMBER OF THE CIVILIAN HOME DEFENSE FORCE WERE KILLED. SECOND INCIDENT OCCURRED AUGUST 29 AT 1030 HOURS IN SAME GENERAL AREA WHEN 15-20 NPA ATTACKED A PC JEEP ESCORTING A PHILIPPINE NAVY TRUCK AND KILLED 4 PC. NPA REPORTEDLY USED M-14 AND M-16 RIFLES AND M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHERS AND HAND GRENADES DURING ATTACKS. PC UNITS ARE STILL CONDUCTING OPERATIONS ADJACENT TO HIGHWAY 7. THOUGH
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SUBIC BASE AUTHORITIES INITIALLY DIRECTED U.S. PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS NOT TO USE THE HIGHWAY, ORDER HAS BEEN MODIFIED TO ALLOW USE BETWEEN 0700 AND 1800 HOURS. IMMEDIATELY AFTER SECOND INCIDENT FOUR WOUNDED PC WERE TREATED AT SUBIC BASE HOSPITAL AND SUBSEQUENTLY EVACUATED BY PHILIPPINE AIR FORCE TO MANILA.

2. COMMENT: ACCORDING TO SUBIC PROVOST MARSHAL, NPA
HAS CONDUCTED SIMILAR AMBUSHES IN THIS AREA OVER THE LAST SIX
MONTHS TO OBTAIN WEAPONS. THESE LATEST TWO INCIDENTS, HOWEVER,
ARE CLEARLY THE MOST SERIOUS TO DATE.
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